

EDMONDS' DISABILITY BOARD Meeting minutes

11/10/15

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ken Jones, Chair Adrienne Fraley-Monillas, Council President Joan Bloom, Council Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Mary Ann Hardie, HR Manager Sara Graham, HR Assistant

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Ken Jones called the Board meeting to order at 8:35 am. Board Member Gary McComas was unable to attend the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Jones made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of July 28, 2015. Chair Jones made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of July 28, 2015. Council Member Joan Bloom seconded the motion. The motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF CLAIMS SUMMARY REPORT:

HR Manager Mary Ann Hardie reviewed the Claims Summary of July 1, 2015 up to and including September 30, 2015 as follows:

SUMMARY OF CURRENT COSTS: 7/1/2015 through 9/30/2015

SERVICE	TOTAL NUMBER OF CLAIMS	COST
Prescription Co-Pays	8	\$3,116.08
In Home Assisted Living Care	3	25,306.50
Purchase of Eye Glasses	0	0.00
Medicare Premium Reimbursement	0	0.00
Dental Reimbursement	0	0.00
Payment of Annual deductibles & co-insurance	7	961.77
Hearing Aids/ (batteries)	3	270.79
Eye Exam and Refraction	1	32.00
Out-of-Pocket Expense	0	0.00
Medical Equipment/Medically Necessary Services	1	122.99
TOTALS:	37	\$29,810.13

The total expense for the period 7/1/15 - 9/30/15 was \$29,810.33 with a total of 37 claims for the period. The total Visiting Angels Nurse Care costs for the quarter were \$23,306.50.

Chair Jones made a motion to approve the claims summary report for the period 7/1/15 - 9/30/15 (with an adjustment to the reports to reflect the correct, third quater period of 7/1 - 9/30/15) in the amount of \$29,810.33 based on medical necessity. Council Member Adrienne Fraley-Monillas seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF LEOFF I RETIREE CLAIMS (REQUESTS FOR REIMBURSEMENT)

There was a discussion that followed by the Board about an inquiry from a LEOFF 1 member regarding reimbursement for the payment of gym memberships for LEOFF 1 retirees. Chair Jones suggested that he discuss this item at the next WSLEA Conference in May 2016. After some discussion by the Board, it was determined that this item may be reconsidered (after next year's WSLEA Conference in Chelan in May 2016). Ms. Hardie stated that she would follow up with the LEOFF 1 member who had inquired to let him know the status of the inquiry.

Medical Services/Equipment - \$48.83

Chair Jones made a motion to approve the reimbursement request for medical equipment based on medical necessity (for the LEOFF 1 member who had submitted a request for reimbursement to the Board for this item). Council Member Bloom seconded the motion. The motion carried.

BOARD POLICY REVIEW- EYE Glasses

There was some discussion by the Board about refraction services for eye exams, as this item is sometimes billed separately with eye exams. The Board determined that further information was needed about refraction services. Chair Jones stated that he would be using medical services (for eye care) and would check with his provider as to what refractions services are. For this reason, the Board made a determination to revisit and review the eye glasses policy at the January 2016 Board meeting.

OTHER

Council Member Bloom's term to the Board will end as of 12/31/15. Council Member Fraley-Monillas requested that it be noted in the meeting minutes that the Board has appreciated her service. Chair Jones expressed his gratitude on behalf of the Board for Ms. Bloom's perspectives which have been helpful as it relates to elder care and work on the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 am.